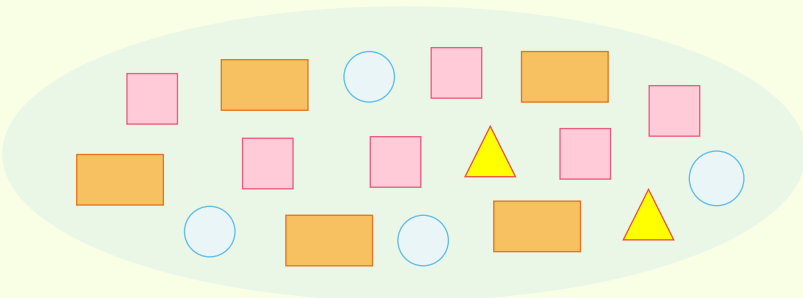


## Reading Graphs and Tables

**Tables and graphs** are used to organize information to show patterns and relationships. For example, tables and graphs can help us to better understand the types and the numbers of different shapes shown below:



First, we can use **Tally marks**. It is an easy way to count and keep track of different objects.

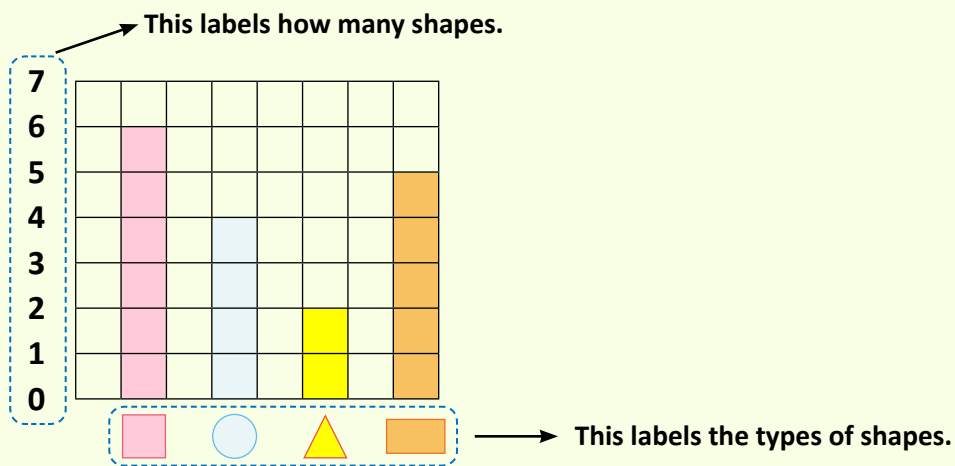
Square		
Circle		
Triangle		
Rectangle		

A **table** shows data in rows and columns. We can also use tables to represent the number of each shape, as shown by next two tables:

6	4	2	5

Square	
Circle	
Triangle	
Rectangle	

We now have a much better understanding of the types and numbers of each shapes. A **bar graph** represents numbers by comparing the lengths of different bars.



- **The longer** the bar, **the greater** the number.
- This bar graph shows the exact number of each shape: **6 squares, 4 circles, 2 triangles, and 5 rectangles.**
- By observing the bar chart, we also know that we have **more squares than any other shapes.**